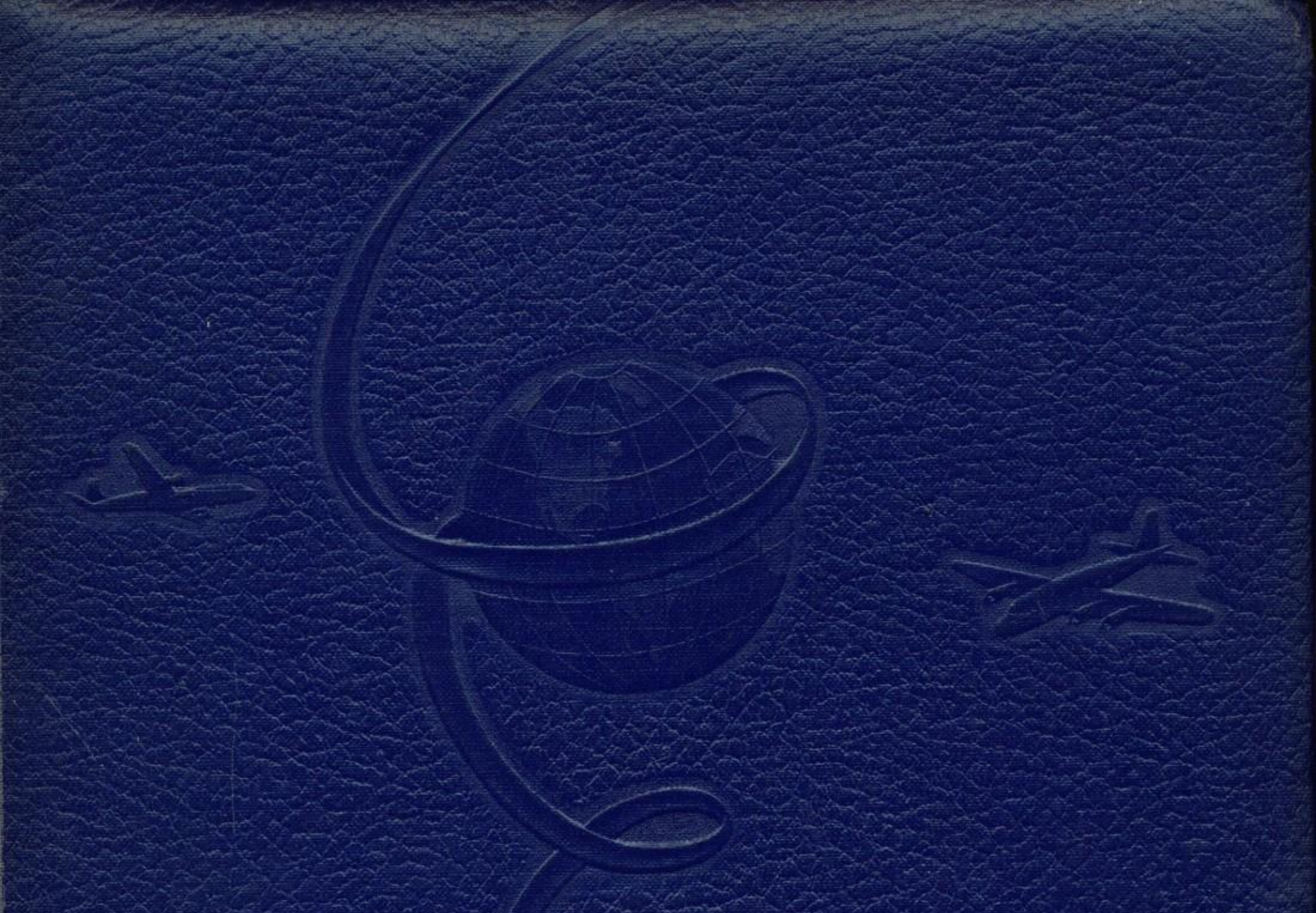

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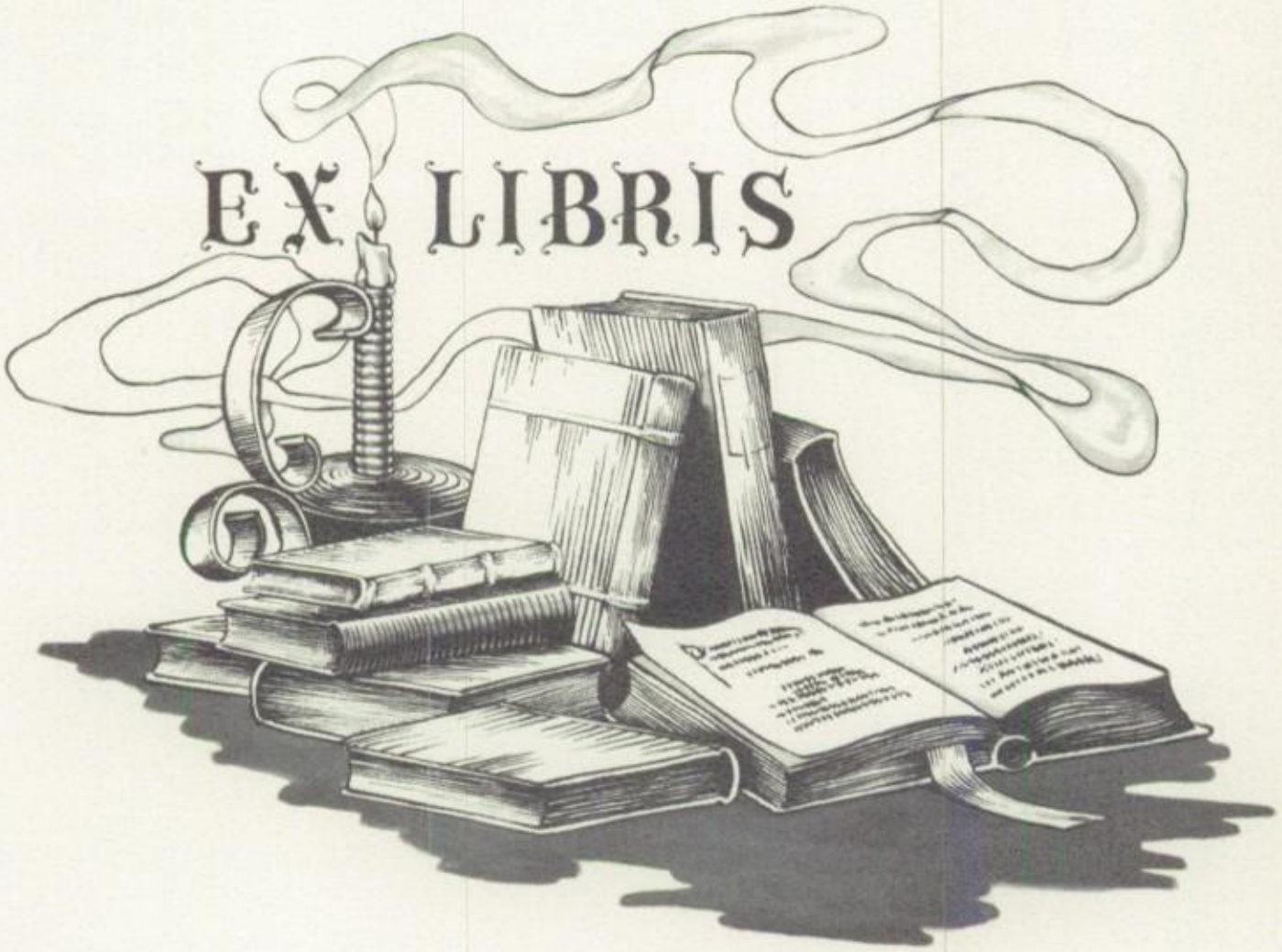
1954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The Seniors of 1954 proudly present to you our
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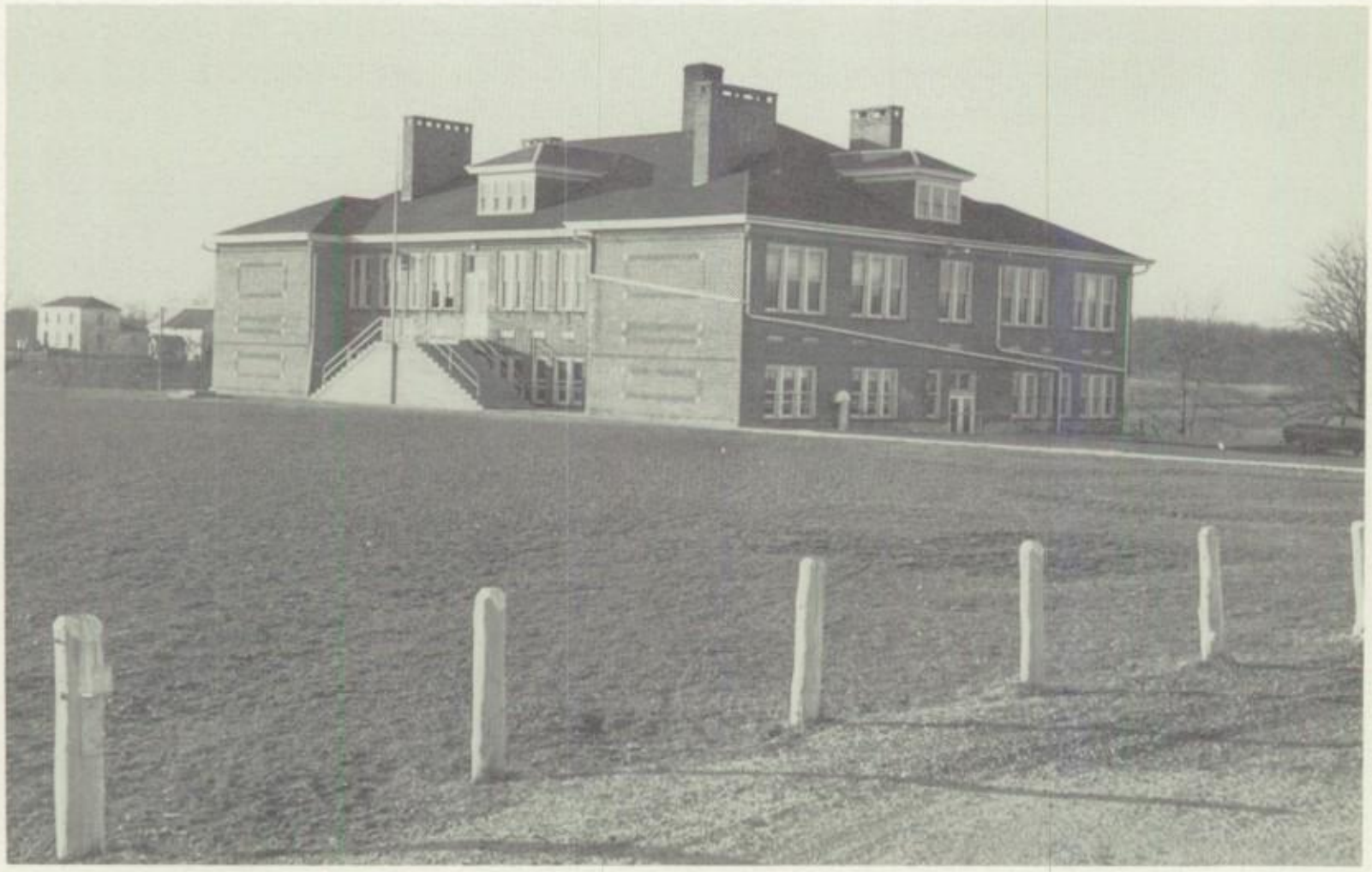


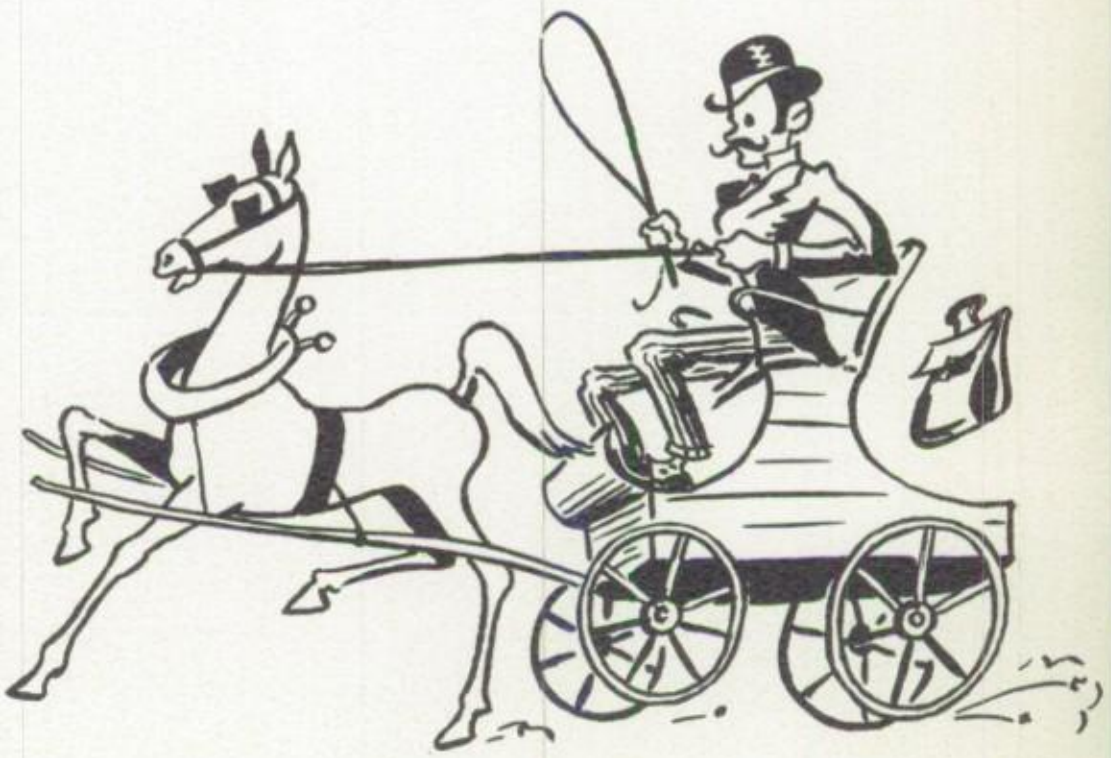
On the following pages is an account of the happenings of our twelve school years. We sincerely hope this yearbook will be among your unforgetable rememberances.

DEDICATION

CHARLES M. STEUVER

We, the Senior Class of 1954 dedicate this edition of "Memories of Blue and Gold" to Mr. Charles Steuver in appreciation of his untiring efforts in helping us prepare this annual, and for all the other things he has done to make our years in high school so pleasant and memorable.

ADMINISTRATION



Mr. Mikels is our principal this year after having served as our commercial teacher for the past four years. He has an AB degree from Canterbury and a MS from Indiana University. Mr Mikels is a World War II veteran and his home town is Lafayette. Although this is his first principalship experience, we feel that he has done an excellent job, and we extend our thanks to him for the part that he has played in our lives for the past five years. May your future years be as pleasant as those which we have endured under your supervision.

J. W. Stevens, our efficient trustee was elected to the office in 1946 and re-elected 1950. Mr. Stevens operates a farm near Dillsboro when not busy with the task of performing the duties of a trustee. We feel Mr. Stevens is capable, understanding and constantly striving to improve the school to the best of his ability.

W. B. Wilson was elected county Superintendent by the trustees of Dearborn County in 1950 and re-elected in 1952. Mr. Wilson has taught over 30 years and was Superintendent of Milan High School.

Faculty

Charles Steuver
B.S. Music

Elizabeth Ellerbrook
A.B. Languages

Ethel Mathias
A.B. Phys. Ed. & Library

Floyd Heller
B.S. Coach

Lester Brown
B.S. Commerce

Richard Block
A.B. Social Studies

Ellen Conaway
B.S. Homemaking

Omer Cole
B.S. Grade 6

Polly Diehls
A.B. Grade 5

Wilbur Stegemoller
B.S. Math. & Sience

Jenny Mullford
Grade 4

Hazel Brown
Grade 3

Irene Rumph
B.S. Grade 2

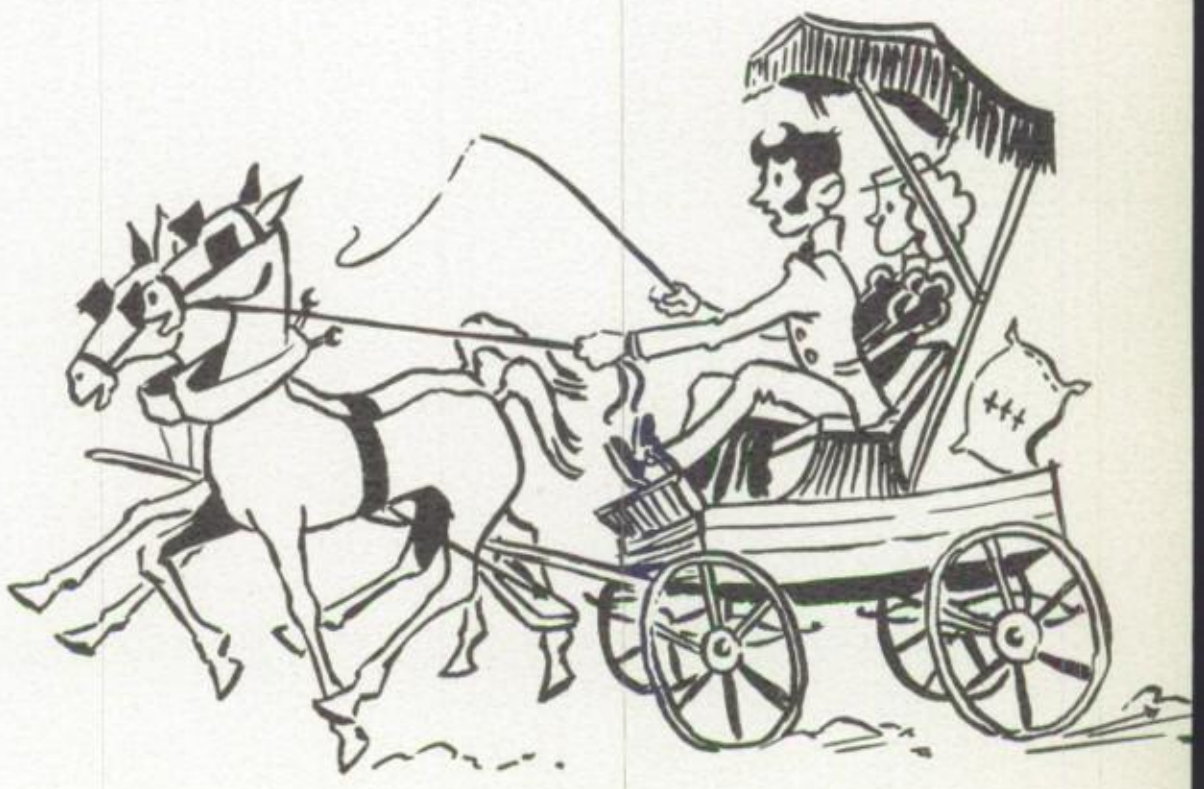
Mae Pate
B.S. Grade 1

BUS DRIVERS

MR. PIEPER

P. T. A.

SENIORS



MELVIN LEE CLEETER

Boy's State 3
Basketball 1-2-3-4
Baseball 1-2-3-4
Class Play 3-4
Vice-President 1-2-4
Paper Staff 3-4
Annual Staff 4

GARNETTE MARIE HUBER

Glee Club 1-2-3-4
Sunshine 1-2-3-4
Class Play 3-4
Operetta 1-2-4
Minstrel 3
Paper Staff 3-4
Annual Staff 3-4
News Reporter 1-2-3
Treasurer 4

JANET L. JOHNSON

Glee Club 4
Operetta 4
Paper Staff 3-4
Class Play 3-4

VIRGIL C. LAAKER

Class Play 3-4
Class President 3-4
Baseball 1-2-3-4
Annual Staff 4
Paper Staff 3-4

KAY ELLEN LONG

Glee Club 1-2-3-4
Sunshine 1-2-3-4
Class News Reporter 4
Operetta 1-2-4
Minstrel 3
Paper Staff 4-3
Office Staff 4
Class Play 3-4
Girl's State 3

ELIZABETH ANN McNEELY

Band 3-4
Glee Club 1-2-3-4
Library Staff 1
Operetta 1-2-4
Minstrel 3
Sunshine 1-2-3-4
Class Historian 4
Annual Staff 4
Paper Staff 3-4
Office Staff 4
Class Play 3-4

ADA LOUISE MATHIAS

Band 3-4
Glee Club 1-2-3-4
Operetta 1-2-4
Minstrel 3
Library Staff 3
Sunshine 1-2-3-4
Treasurer 3
Annual Staff 4
Paper Staff 2-3-4
Class Play 3-4
Cheerleader 2-3

DONALD LOUIS MATHIAS

Basketball 1-2-3-4
Baseball 1-2-3-4
Class Play 3-4
Paper Staff 3-4
Annual Staff 4
Band 3-4
Minstrel 3
Operetta 1-2-4
Glee Club 1-2-3-4

MARTHA ELIZABETH MEYER

Glee Club 1-2-3-4
Operetta 1-2-4
Minstrel 3
Sunshine 1-2-3-4
Paper Staff 2-3-4
Annual Staff 4
Treasure 1
Secretary 2
Vice President 3
Class Play 3-4

DONNA JOYCE NAEGELE

Glee Club 1-2-3-4
Sunshine 1-2-3-4
Operetta 1-2-4
Minstrel 3
Paper Staff 3-4
Office Staff 4
Class Play 3-4

MARTHA LOUISE RANDALL

Glee Club 1-3-4
Operetta 1-4
Minstrel 3
Sunshine 1-2-3-4
Paper Staff 3-4
Annual Staff 4
Class Play 3-4
Office Staff 4

KATHRYN JEAN SCHWANHOLT

Glee Club 1-2-3-4
Sunshine 1-2-3-4
Paper Staff 3-4
Historian 1-2
Secretary 3-4
Operetta 1-2-4
Minstrel 3
Office Staff 4
Class Play 3-4

SCHARLINE FRANCES UTTER

Glee Club 1-2-3-4
Operetta 1-2-4
Minstrel 3
Class Play 3-4
Sunshine 1
Library 3-4

Senior Officers

Vice President

Secretary

President

Treasurer

Reporter

Historian

Ushers

Bill Scott and Jean Bosse

Baccalaureate Services

May 23, 1954

St. Peters Lutheran Church

Commencement Exercises

May 26, 1954

High School Auditorium

Mascots

Joan Ashcraft and Tommy Wafford

Class Motto

"Labor Conquers All Things"

Class Colors

Yellow and White

Class Flower

Yellow Rose

The Class History

As I look back to the days twelve years ago, I cannot help but think of those 23 trembling little souls who left the shelter of their homes and were led into the bustling world of school life. Thus we started our first grade. We were Audrey Mae Dunning, Mary Jean Hartman, Ada Louise Mathias, Elizabeth Ann McNeely, Martha Meyer, Donna Naegele, Kathryn Jean Schwanholt, LaVerne Thayer, Scharline Utter, Margarette Kyle, Wanda Williocte, Kay Ellen Long, Melvin Lee Cleeter, John Daniels, Frederick Daugherty, Paul Vernon Davies, Theodore Graver, Joe Hehe, Evert Kells, Edward Payton, James Richardson, Patricia Zeh, Patricia Huffman.

The next years were eventful ones for us. Any by the time we had completed the eighth grade we were sure there was no more to learn. We simply knew it all. Our teachers spent the next year or so trying to prove differently. That freshman year there were 27 of us, Paul Beckwith, Evert Chase, Melvin Cleeter, Albert Dennis, Gail Lee Ellison, Lonnie Housmeyer, Garnette Huber, Patty Huffman, Janet Johnson, Vera Ketenbrink, Virgil Laaker, Kay Ellen Long, Ada Mathias, Donald Mathias, Ann McNeely, Martha Meyer, Donna Naegele, Edward Payton, Martha Randall, Muriel Rothe, Jean Schwanholt, Bonnie Scudder, Marlene Turner, Scharline Utter, Opal Vinup and Dewayne Selemeyer.

The next year our schoolwork got a little harder, but we were beginning to feel like veterans in our high school life. That year we lost Dewayne Selemeyer, Paul Beckwith, Marlene Turner, and Bonnie Scudder. We gained Ted Hardin and Arthur Field.

Our junior year we lost all of our Bear Branch classmates, Lonnie Housmeyer, Vera Ketenbrink, Muriel Rothe, Opal Vinup, Evert Chase, Arthur Field, and Gladys Dennis. We also lost Albert Dennis, Gail Ellison, Ted Hardin; that left just 15 of us. This was the year of our class play "Saved by the Belle." We also gave s prom for the seniors and our theme was Blue Moon.

And now we leave dear old D. H. S. There are just 13 of the original 23. We now have our heads crammed full of knowledge and we feel ready to take our stand on life.

SENIOR ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

September	8	School Began
September	28	Senior and faculty pictures
October	2-3	Aurora Fair Stand
November	6-7	'Operetta
December	1	Group pictures
January	14	Young & Carl annual pictures
January	15-16	County Tourney
February	6	Music Contest at Hanover
February	20	Music Contest at Indianapolis
February	25-26-27	Sectional Tourney
April	9	Band Concert
May	7-8	Senior Class Play
May	14	Junior & Senior Prom
May	19-20	Final exams
May	23	Baccalaureate
May	26	Commencement
May 31 June	5	Senior Class Trip

Senior Prophecy

I am employed by the U. S. Peanut Company as atraveling salesman. This job takes me all over the world and I remember most all my school mates from good old Dillsboro High School.

When we left that dear place of learning there were thirteen of us. Some people thought we would all have bad luck with the number "13" but I have found that we all have made a success of life.

I remember the first persons I met after school. It was in business conference with the Art Editor of Ford Motor Company, who was Donald Mathias and his private secretary, Jean Schwanholt, whom I didn't know at first because she is now Jean Gullian.

On one of my trips to Europe I was in Paris and saw the Eiffel Tower. I looked up and saw a man on a girder near the top. I inquired and found that Virgil Laaker had been employed to clean it. He had invented some new chemical that would clean that type of metal. I can understand that because he was tops in our chemistry classes.

I was on my way west to see about buying a ranch for our firm and I had to pass through Dillsboro so I stopped at the Health Resort and went in. Melvin Cleeter met me at the door, for now he owned the Health Resort and had become a millionaire from the profits. We went into the dining room and there was Donna Naegele, who was the hostess. I notice that she had a wedding ring on, but I didn't get to find out who the lucky man was. After chating with them a few hours I continued my journey west.

As I traveled through the city of St. Louis I saw that George Smith and Garnette Huber were starring at one of the night clubs. I didn't know whether they were married, but anyway they were still together.

I arrived late in the city where I was to buy the ranch and the Real Estate dealer asked me to his home for supper. I was very suprised when Scharline Utter came out of the kitchen. She was married now and had five children. We enjoyed a delicious supperand talking over old school days.

I went on to San Fransico on business where I visited an army hospital. I enjoyed this, too, because the superintendent of nurses was Martha Randall.

While I was in California I went to see a hot rod race. The winning car owned by Kay Long. I spent the next day visiting with her in her large ranch house. She said she had made her money on the stock market and racing was just a hobby. She told me that Ann McNeely was giving a piano concert that night, so we rode to see her in Kay s 1927 Jaguar. Ann asked us to join her for a midnight snack at her spacious chicken farm. This was very amusing to me because Ann didn't like chickens when she was in high school.

By dawn I was traveling through Texas. Ann told me that Ada Mathias was living there She lived in a beautiful home on an oil ranch. She and her husband took me to see a rodeo while I was there. She had two darling children and owned several oil fields and was very happy.

While passing through Cincinnati I nad to wait six hours for my train. I went shopping and happened to meet Janet Johnson. She was on her way to work. She had just graduated from modeling school. She told me tnat Martha Meyer was the instructor there. The six hours soon passed and I continued on my way home thinking over the lives of my school mates.

Class Will

We, the Senior Class of 1954, knowing that we are the liveliest and possibly the sweetest class yet to enter or leave our beloved and beautiful school, wish to leave our last will and testament to be executed in the order that follows:

ARTICLE I, TO THE FACULTY

ITEM I-----To Mr. Mikels, our principal, we leave graditude for his helpful understanding.
ITEM II----To Mr. Steuver we leave our deep appreciation for the help he gave us during our junior and senior years.
ITEM III---To Miss Ellerbrook we leave our old English papers.
ITEM IV----To Mr. Stegemoller we leave a hope for more chemical-minded seniors.
ITEM V-----To Mr. Brown we leave hopes for a better paper staff.
ITEM VI----To Mrs. Conaway we leave several empty seats in homemaking, hoping she can find better students to fill them, also we leave our house plans.
ITEM VII---To Mr. Block we leave Government and Sociology for the juniors.
ITEM VIII--To Mr. Heller we leave two places on the basketball team.
ITEM IX----To Mrs. Mathias we leave thanks for kind understanding.
ITEM X-----To Mr. Peiper we leave our old paper wads and ice cream wrappers.

ARTICLE II, TO THE CLASSES

ITEM I-----To the Juniors we leave our conceit and sophistication.
ITEM II----To the Sophomores we leave our acting ability for their future class plays.
ITEM III---To the Freshmen we leave best wishes for a high school career and hopes that they are as sophisticated as we in their senior year.
ITEM IV----To all classes we leave hopes for a new school building.

ARTICLE III, TO INDIVIDUALS

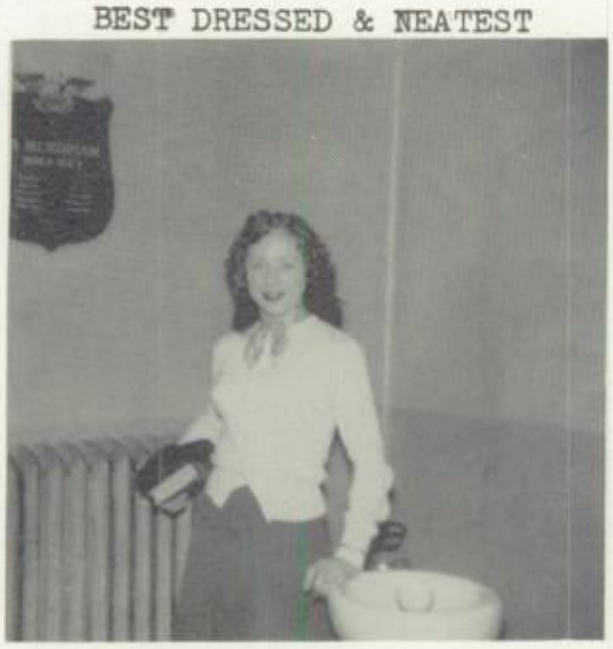
ITEM I-----Melvin Cleeter leaves his ability to sleep in Mr. Block's classes to David Benning.
ITEM II----Garnette Huber leaves her ability to ask questions to Jean Ann Bosse.
ITEM III---Janet Johnson leaves her good-natured laugh to Louise Homann.
ITEM IV----Virgil Laaker leaves his driving ability with one arm to Bill Kinnitt.
ITEM V-----Kay Long leaves her good grades in short hand to Joyce Licking.
ITEM VI----Ada Mathias leaves her good chemistry grades to Beverly Steuver.
ITEM VII---Donald Mathias leaves his speed in basketball to Richard Shuman.
ITEM VIII--Martha Meyer leaves her neatness to Grace Smith.
ITEM IX----Ann McNeely leaves her piano fame to Bonnie Craig.
ITEM X-----Donna Naegele leaves her small figure to Helen Jackson.
ITEM XI----Martha Randall leaves her height to Nina Sellers.
ITEM XII---Jean Schwanholt leaves all her dates to Marilyn Cutter.
ITEM XIII--Scharline Utter leaves her wrist watches to Betty Zimmerman.
ITEM XIV---We all leave with hopes that the class to follow won't give the faculty as hard a time as we did.

Honors

Valdictorian-----Martha Meyer
Salutatorian-----Virgil Laaker
Athletic---------Donald Mathias
Homemaking-------Ada Mathias
Music------------Ann McNeely

Senior Personalities

BEST DRESSED & NEATEST

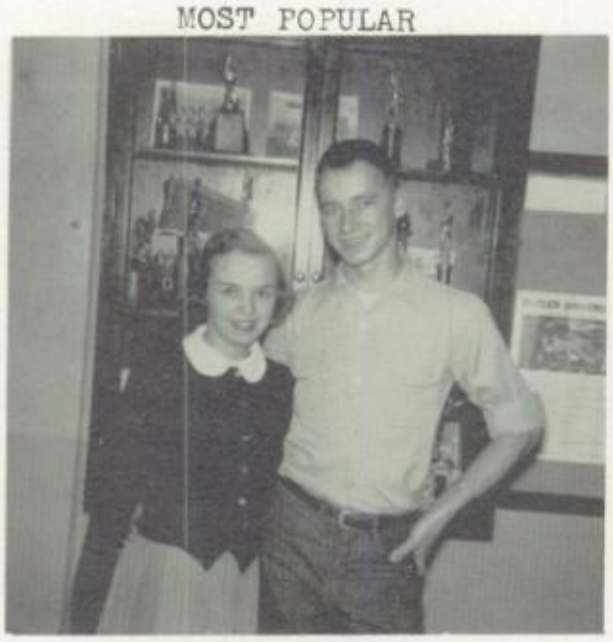


Martha

QUICKEST TEMPER

Janet

MOST POPULAR



Ada & Doc

LOUDEST & FRANKEST

Scharline

MEEKEST

Donna

SWEETEST

Ada Mathias

MOST SERIOUS, SLOWEST,
AND WITTIEST

Virgil Laaker

UNLUCKLIEST

Donald Mathias

MOST ATHLETIC, FUNNIEST,
BIGGEST BLUFFER, SLEEPIEST,
CLUMSIEST

Melvin Cleeter

MOST INITIATIVE & AMBITIOUS

FRIENDLIEST

Ann McNeely

Aurora Fair
Queen Attendant

Garnette Huber

How We Looked Then

DONNIE ADA

DONNA

JANET

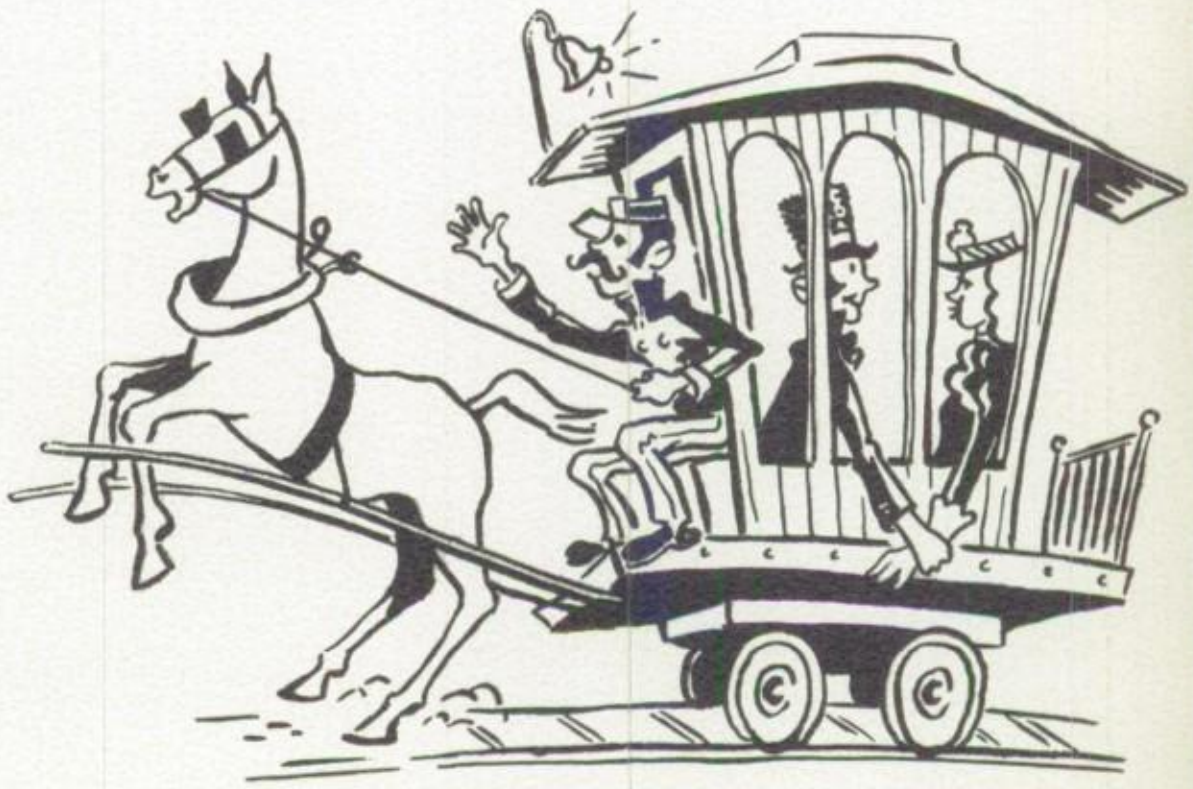
SCHARLINE

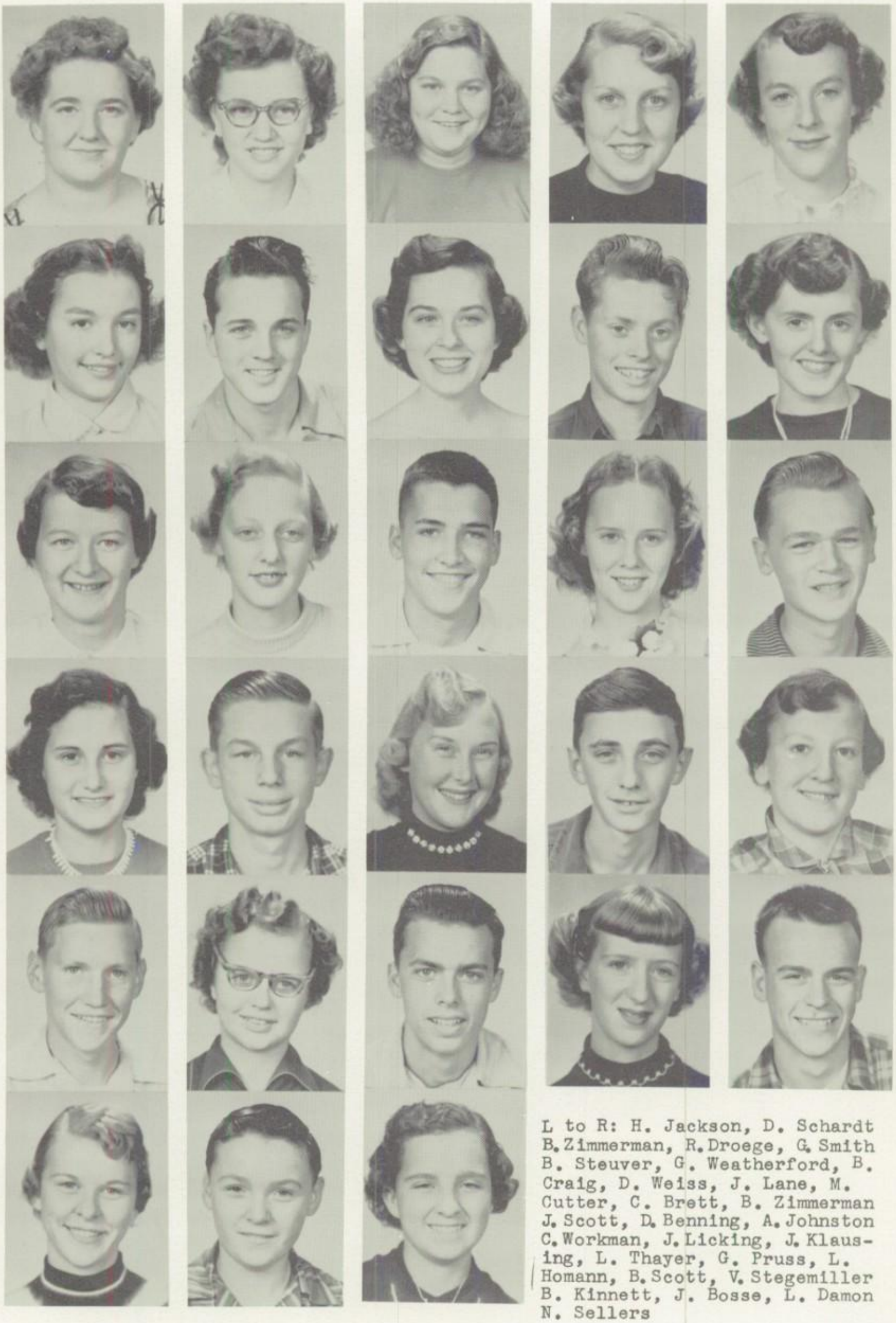
ANN

GARNETTE

KAY

JUNIORS





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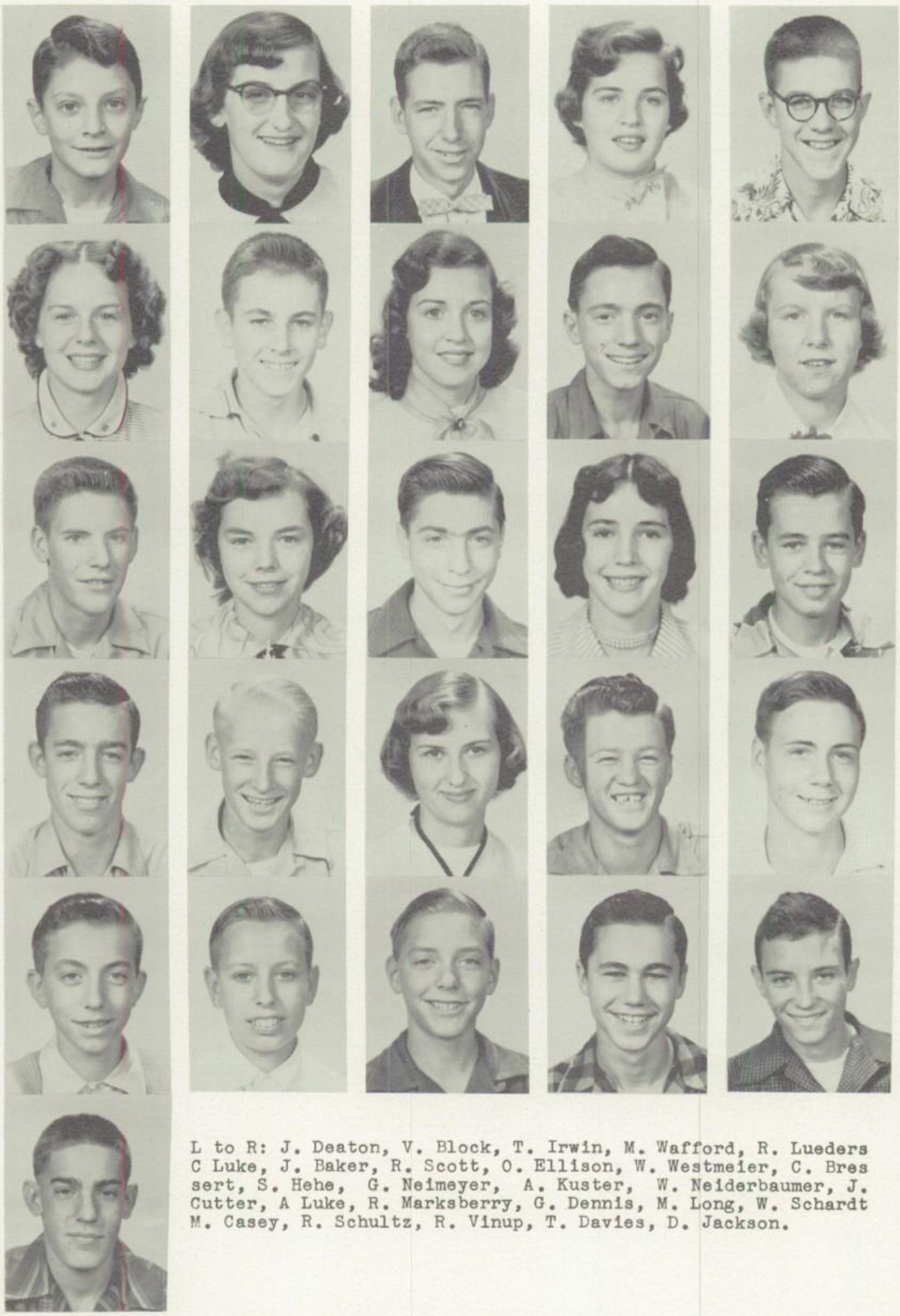
SOPHOMORES



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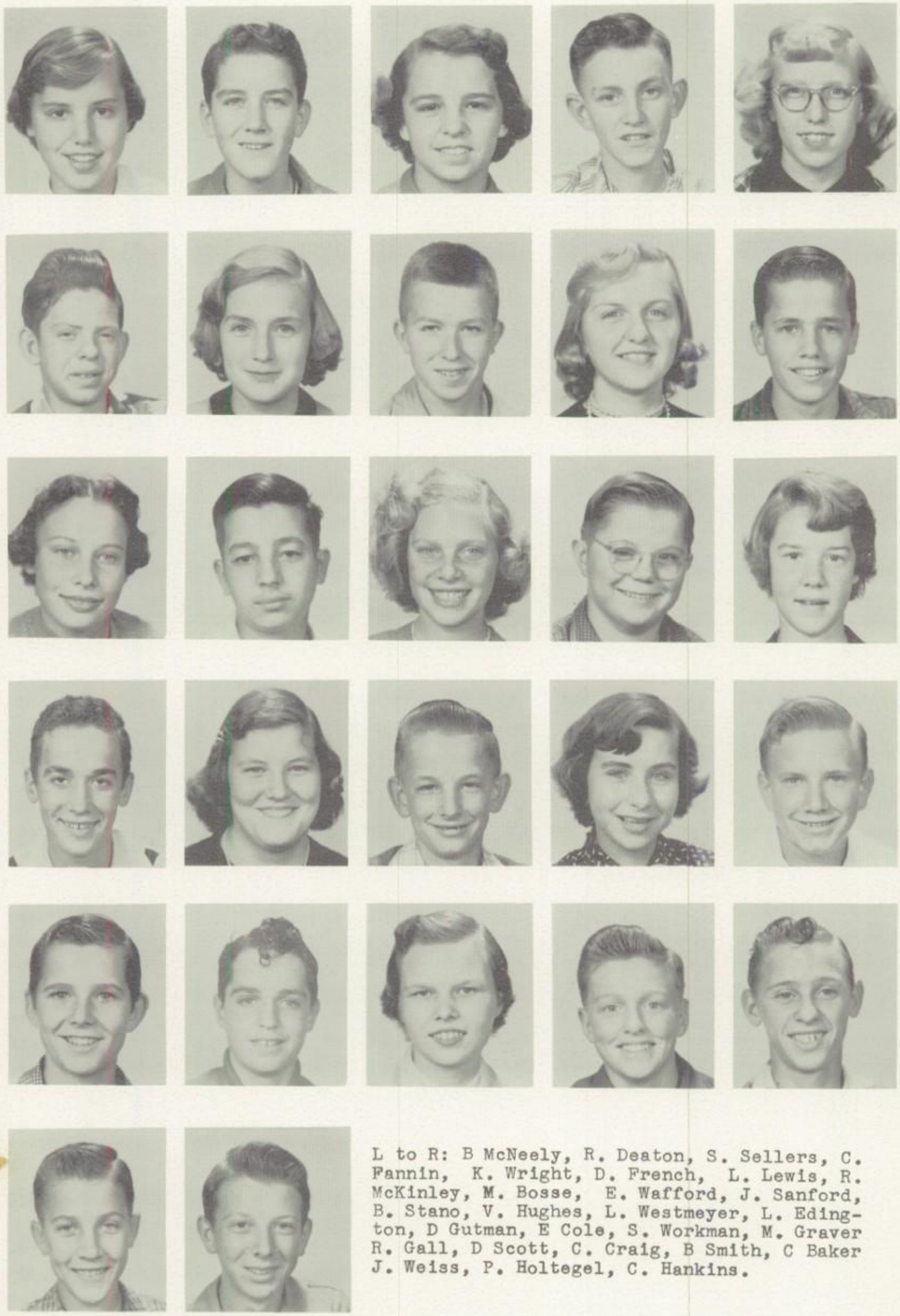
FRESHMEN



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Class Officers

Freshmen

J. Weiss, M. Bosse, B. McNeely

Sophomore

R. Shuman, M. Wafford, C. Luke, R. Marksberry

Junior

J. Klausing, B. Craig, J. Lane

Typing

7th Grade

Row 1: L to R: B. Banes, J. Nelson, M. Huffman, B. Bromwell, B. Deaton, J. Naegele, J. Vinup, P. Vinup, R. Schmaltz, Wilbur Stegemoller. Row 2: Lto R. S. Wright, R. Negengard, Jr. Hall, H. Cassidy, E. Smith, L. Martin, M. Bressert, J. Scott, J. Negengard, T. Gordon. Row 3: G. Morris, V. Thayer, J. Rumph, R. Hachson, R. Holtegel, E. Burdette, J. Bruce, B. Schwanholt, J. Cash, S. Shelton.

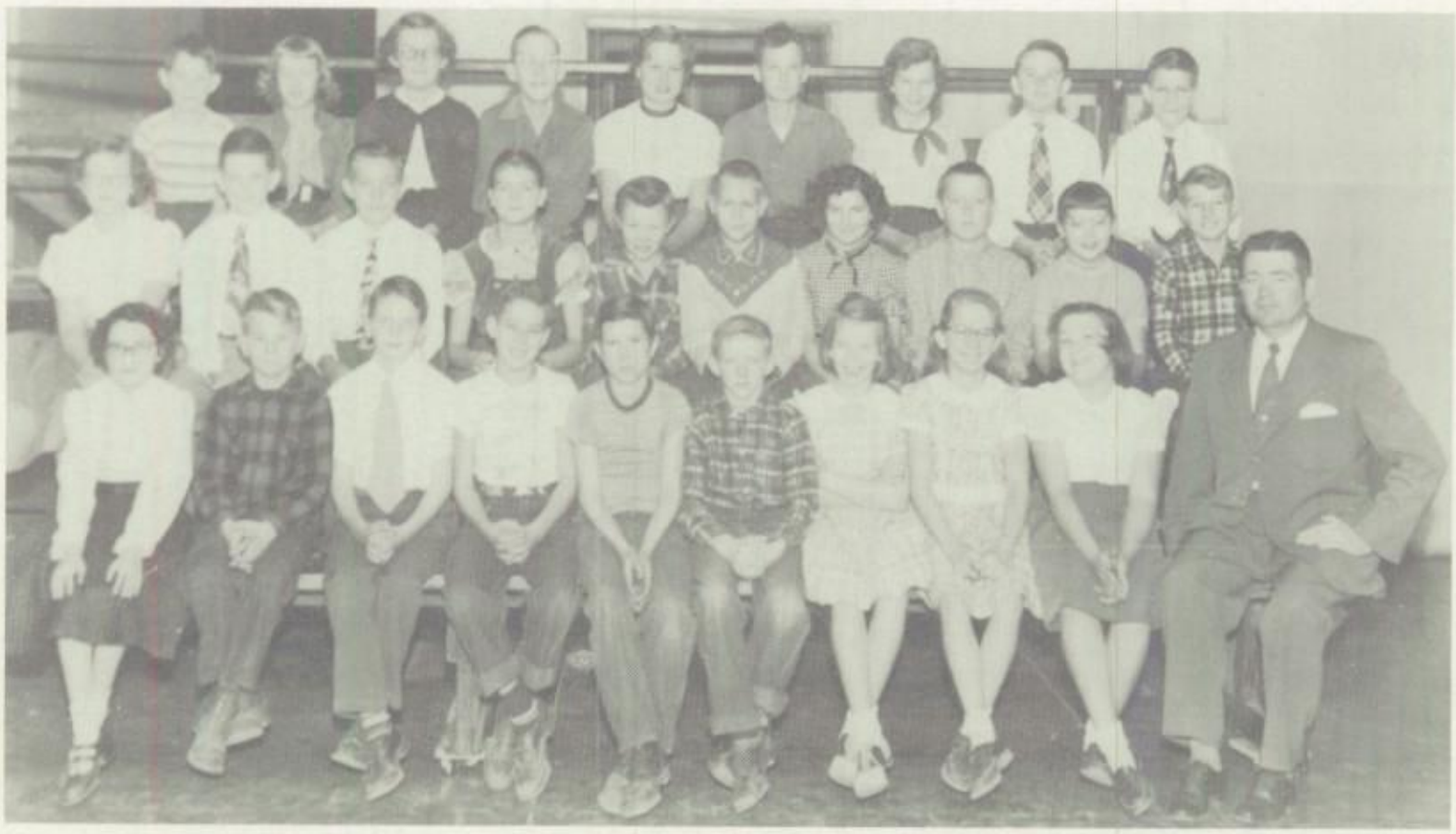
8th Grade

Row 1: L to R: J. Disbro, W. Naegele, S. Long, C. Block, D. Cash, B. Daniel W. Baker, J. Eaglin, B. Burton, Row 2: F. Horne, J. Niebrugge, M. Vinup, R. Kuster, G. Gregory, B. Morris, J. Graver, D. Thayer, S. Warner. Row 3: R. Selmeyer, D. Baker, E. Moore, W. Rice, G. Bolling, R. Schmaltz, J. Martin, A. Whitham, P. Knigga

5th Grade

Row 1: L to R: S. Naegele, M. Whaley, D. Jackson, S. Stegemiller, V. Lanvermeyer, D. Smith, C. Jones, J. Emery, J. Hehe. Row 2: B. Libbert, F. Bromwell, V. Clark, D. Wright, W. Smith, B. Ashcraft, B. Vinup, J. Hall, T. Kelch. Row 3: J. Utter, P. Leuders, J. Jobe, R. Shockley, C. Hardin, B. Lewis, K. Rumph, J. Snyder, R. French. Row 4: G. Harmeyer, L. Bruce, J. Davies, R. Selmeyer, B. Leasure, J. Casey, R. Bockhorst, J. Huffman, J. Race

6th Grade



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3rd Grade

Row 1: L to R: J. Dickerson, S. Smith, M. Bockhorst, L. Bruce, Jackson, T. Block, T. McKinley, J. Jackson, J. Gregory. Row 2: G. King, R. Moore, B. Stevens, W. Penn, D. Swango, R. French, K. Goodpaster, R. Hefflemire, C. Hall, Row 3: B. Dennis, J. Graver, A. Gutman. T. Kemp, R. Nelson, H. Rice, T. McCellan, C. Redwine, R. Holiday

4th Grade

Row 1: L to R: D. Baldwin, M. Fannin, K. Deaton, M. Luker, S. Westmeyer, L. Bressert, B. Jackson, R. Banes, L. Emery, S. Bradon, Mrs. Mulford Row 2: R. Vinup, M. Hehe, S. Penn, D. Cutter, L. Campbell, W. Nelson, D. Davies, J. Lanvermeyer, J. Nelson. Row 3: L. Powers, L. Buck, J. Irwin, G. Holtegel, R. Jackson, F. Rice, S. Smith, L. Hughs, Jobe, R. Gulley. Row 4: C. Elison, M. Edington, C. King, Horne, K. Laaker, B. Cutter, D. Burdettee, T. Snyder, J. Hooper, J. Jones.

1st Grade

Row 1: L to R: B. Kleine, C. Ellison, D. Edington, M. Heffelmire, D. Moore, C. Roberts, L. Westemier, L. Gulley, B. Dobson, T. Ketch, J. Libbert, G. Synder, B. Hehe, B. Frazier, W. Block, Row 2: L to R: S. Hughes, B. Hbrn R. Tibbetts, V. Race, G. Petsor, S. Horton, B. Campbell, K. Christian, J. Cosby, T. Gulley, R. Conaway, D. Wingate, T. Wright, S. Utter, S. Block Row 3: L to R: D. Dobson, F. Neal, C. Buck, R. Bruce, R. Homola, M. Gutman D. Parsons, A. Dobson, S. Scudder, H. Kuster, S. Synder, R. Juseman, J. Redwine.

2nd Grade

Row 1: L to R: M. Clark, R. Hughes, K. Hall B. Lane, G. Burris, D. Westmeyer J. Ashcraft, H. Smith, Mrs. Rumph, Row 2: P. Claton, L. Morris, B. Cowger, K. Palmer, F. Stegemiller, S. Martin, K. Shelton, R. Winters, Row 3: M., Holland, K. Caldwell, E. Eaglin, M. Hardin, J. Donsolman, K. Minger, T. Wafford, J. Johnston.

ACTIVITIES

Annual Staff

Editor----------Ann McNeely
Advertising Mgr.----Ada Mathias
Ass't Ad. Mgr.---Martha Randall
Art Editor----------Don Mathias
Photographer-----Garnette Huber
Ass't Photographer-Martha Meyer
Sports Editor----Melvin Cleeter
Ass't Sports Ed.--Virgil Laaker

office

paper

library

Carnival Queen

Musical Activities

ANN McNEELY -- ACCOMPANIST

Girls Glee Club

Boys Chorus

Band

Row 1: A. Mathias, S. Warner, M. Graver, P. Deaton, R. McNeely, Row 2: R. Lueders, S. Long, R. Deaton, T. Kelch, M. Minger, R. Shackley, J. Damon, K. Rumph, D. Baker, B. Deaton, M. Bosse, A. McNeely, B. Steuver. Row 3: J. Deaton, D. Mathias, J. Utter, L. Damon, S. Redwine, R. McClellan, J. Rumph, R. Tibbets, C. Baker, D. French, T. Erwin, B. Schardt, P. Knigga, C. Rump, B. Craig, J. Lane, C. Rump, Not Shown--C. Ellison, B. Schwanholt.

Sunshine Girls

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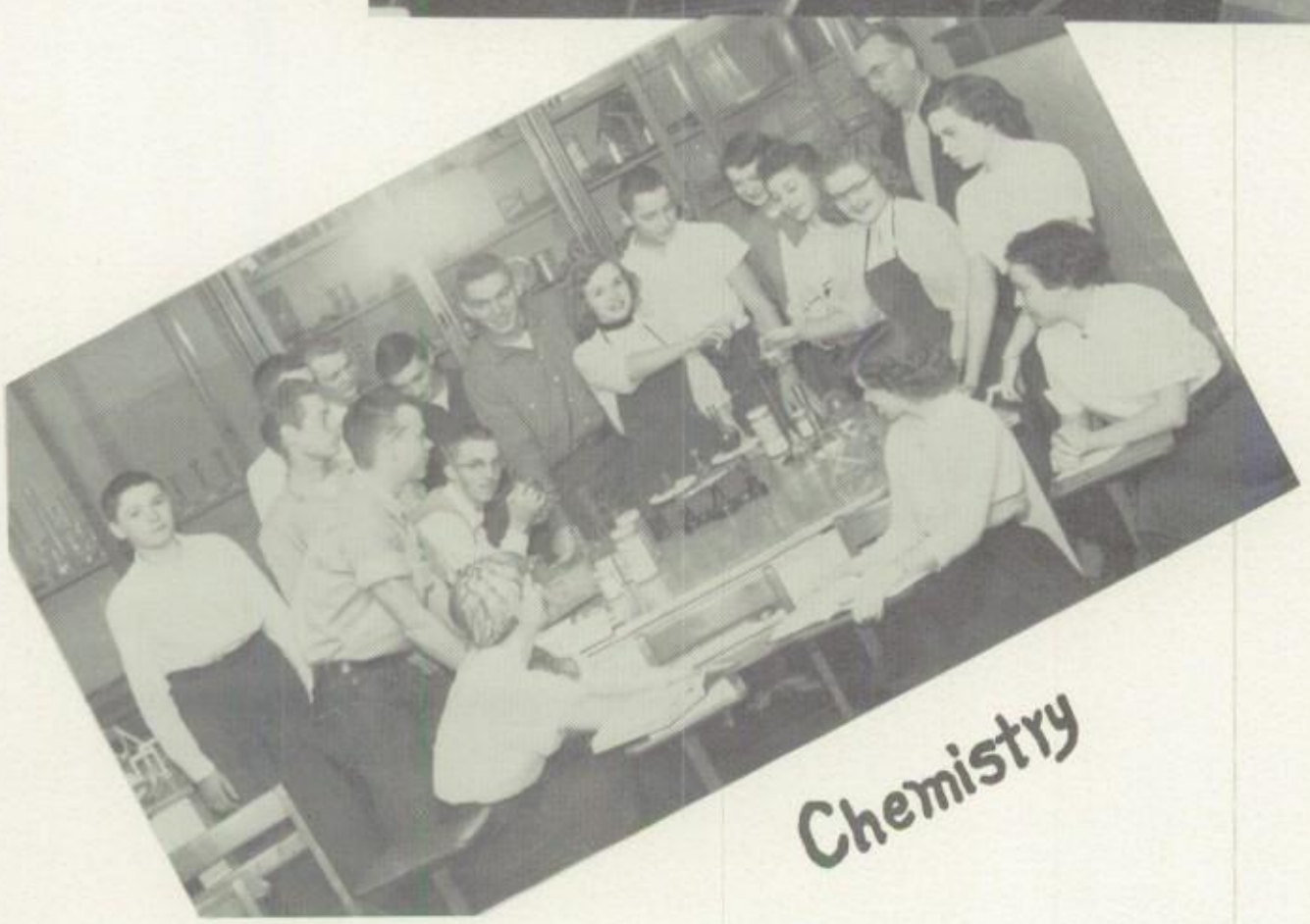

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